(2) Section 35 (*a*) may be so amended as to enable the Courts admitting unstamped documents in evidence by giving them the discretion as above proposed. The amendment may be made by inserting the words "of any sum not exceeding ten times" in place of "of a sum equal to ten times" in the penultimate line of the section.

*Reply of Government.*—The reasons adduced are not sufficient to alter the existing law.

SUBJECT No. 21.

Amildars to be empowered to try Civil cases.

Messrs. Tuppada Viranna of Challakere Taluk and Shanbhog Hanumantappa, District Board Member, Chitaldrug.

*Summary of discussion.*—Prior to the establishment of the Munsiffs' Courts in the State, the Amildars were empowered to try all cases of a Civil nature relating to Revenue matters, which was of great advantage to the Agricultural population. The present system of resorting to Munsiffs' Courts has caused them unnecessary annoyance and trouble. It is requested that the former system may be revied.

*Reply of Government.*—It is not possible to do so.

SUBJECT No. 22.

The Small Causes Regulation

Mr. S. R. Balakrishna Rao, B. A., LL. B., Advocate, Shimoga Municipality.

*Summary of discussion.*—The Draft Regulation styled "The Mysore Small Causes Regulation" may be passed into law. This will settle many doubtful questions as to the jurisdiction of Small Cause Courts.

*Reply of Government.*—This Regulation is now before Government, and will be taken up soon for consideration.

SUBJECT No. 23.

Amendment of the Regulation of Refunds.

Mr. B. Mailaraiya of Seringapatam.

*Summary of discussion.*—Amendment of the provision of the Regulation about refund of half the stamp in non-contested civil cases struck off the file as compromised out of Court, and reported by plaintiff, is prayed for.

*Reply of Government.*—The opinion of the Chief Court will be asked for.

SUBJECT No. 24

Amendment of the Legal Practitioners' Regulation.

Messrs. B. Milaraiya of Seringapatam; Balavanta Rao, Arsikere Taluk; and Varada Iyengar, Hassan Taluk.

*Summary of discussion.*—Amendment of the Legal Practitioners' Regulation by doing away with the distinction between 1st and 2nd grade pleaders, or extending the practice of the 2nd grade pleaders to Subordinate Judges' Courts, on the original and small cause sides, is proposed.

*Reply of Government.*—This is not possible. Government have more than once declined to extend the provisions of the Regulation in this respect.

SUBJECT No. 25.

Amendment of the Inam Revenue Code.

(*a*) Mr. Jahgirdar Madappa of Mysore.
(*b*) Mr. M C. Ranga Iyengar, Mysore.

*Summary of discussion.*—(*a*) According to the Land Revenue Code, Section 54, the land revenue on Government occupied land is the paramount charge on the holding. But many Judges are of opinion that it is doubtful whether that rule is applicable to Inam lands. As the Chief Court has decided that the revenue due to an Inamdar for an Inam land is not the paramount charge on the holding, it is requested that that section of the Code may be so amended as to make it applicable to Inam lands.

(*b*) The rent payable by an inferior holder to a superior holder in an alienated holding be made an first charge

on the land and the Land Revenue Code may be amended accordingly.

*Reply of Government.*—This will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 26.

Checking mendicancy.

Mr. Lakshminarasimhachar of Chamrajanagar Taluk.

*Summary of discussion.*—It is requested that a Regulation may be introduced into Mysore as in other countries to check the ever growing number of able-bodied mendicants. This increase in the number of beggars is due to the neglect of agriculture which has been hedged round by various restrictions. This increase will certainly tell upon the prosperity of the country as mendicancy encourages sloth. With the exception of the old and infirm, others should not be allowed to live by beggary.

*Reply of Government.*—This is not possible.

SUBJECT No. 27.

Revision of the Infant Marriages Prevention Regulation.

Mr. M. Venkatakrishnaiya, City Municipality, Mysore.

*Summary of discussion.*—The revision of the Infant Marriages Prevention Regulation is prayed for.

NOTE:—Mr. M. Venkatakrishnaiya explained that he wanted the age limit of girls to be raised to ten years and that of boys to twenty years.

Mr. Amble Annaiya Pandit said that consummation should not be allowed below fourteen in the case of girls and below eighteen or twenty in the case of boys.

Mr. Lakshminarasimha Iyengar supported.

Other representatives were asked to come forward and express their views. Only two came forward. Mr. Chinnappa of Kolar opposed the suggestions while Mr. Gopalaiya supported them. The rest were all silent.

*Reply of Government.*—Will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 28.

A Regulation for granting loans to Government officials drawing a monthly salary of Rs. 30 and under.

Mr. Gopalaiya District Board Member, Chitaldrug.

*Summary of discussion.*—A Regulation may be passed for granting loans by Government to officials drawing a salary of Rs. 30 and under on the security of their Life Insurance Policies at a low rate of interest to enable them to meet the marriage and other family expenses, the loan with interest being made repayable in easy instalments by deduction from their monthly salary. This would save the poor officials from the ruinous monthly interest of two per cent on the loans they are obliged to borrow from merchants.

*Reply of Governmet.*—This is not possible.

JUDICIAL.

(Including Civil, Criminal Police and Registration).

SUBJECT No. 29.

The issue of notices to defendants in Civil Courts to be discontinued.

Mr. K. Venkappa, Sagar Taluk.

*Summary of discussion.*—When defendants fail to pay the decree amount within one year of the decree date, notice is issued from Civil Court to the defendant calling on him to pay the amount. This gives room for the defendant to dispose of his property and thereby evade the decree. The issue of notice may therefore be discontinued.

*Reply of Government.*—It is the decree-holder's fault if he delays to take out execution before notice is made necessary by law. No change is needed in the law.